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### **A Picture's Worth 1000 Words**

-Artist Joe Hinds teams with the Hampton Roads Naval Museum and Nauticus to tell the rich history  
of the U.S. Navy

(Norfolk, Va., February 27, 2004) – Thanks to advances in technology, the events of today are forever etched in the visual medium, and will become tomorrow's history. But for precious moments in time before such advances, history buffs rely on vivid, artistic ingenuity and diligent research. Artist and historian Joe Hinds possesses both, and brings our Navy's history to life with his extraordinary depictions of the past.

The Hampton Roads Naval Museum and Nauticus, the National Maritime Center, are co-sponsoring a temporary exhibit featuring the naval art of Joe Hinds. The exhibit, "Ironclads and Torpedo Boats: The Maritime Art of Joe Hinds," opens March 2 at the Hampton Roads Naval Museum. Some of the historic naval vessels depicted in the 14 works on display are recently famed ironclad beasts of the Civil War - USS Monitor and CSS Virginia.

"Joe Hinds is one of America's top naval illustrators and we are proud to host his work for our visitors," noted Joseph Judge, curator of the Hampton Roads Naval Museum. "Mr. Hinds' precise research and artistic gift make his illustrations both historically accurate and one-of-a-kind."

Hinds, a resident of Richmond, Va., has been featured in "Civil War Times Illustrated" and other widely respected publications among historians.

For a more in-depth perspective into his work and naval history, Hinds and other naval history experts will discuss the development of naval vessels from the Civil War-era through the period of World War II during a special panel presentation March 13 at 2 p.m. – a centerpiece of the featured exhibition.

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Those interested in attending the March 13 event can make reservations by calling 757.322.3109, or by e-mail at [hrnm@nsn.cmar.navy.mil](mailto:hrnm@nsn.cmar.navy.mil). For more information, call 757.322.3987 or 757.664.1000. The Hampton Roads Naval Museum and Nauticus can also be accessed on the Web at [www.hrnm.navy.mil](http://www.hrnm.navy.mil) and [www.nauticus.org](http://www.nauticus.org).

The Hampton Roads Naval Museum, on the downtown Norfolk Waterfront, is one of eleven U.S. Navy museums. Admission to the Hampton Roads Naval Museum and its chief artifact, USS Wisconsin, is FREE. Both the Hampton Roads Naval Museum and Nauticus are closed on Mondays. Nauticus, the National Maritime Center, is a science and technology center that explores the power of the sea. During the period of the Joe Hinds art exhibit, the naval museum and Nauticus are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

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NOTE: Media desiring to interview artist Joe Hinds or Hampton Roads Naval Museum curator Joseph Judge may contact Jared Myers at 757.846.0575 or by e-mail at [jbm\\_public\\_relations@yahoo.com](mailto:jbm_public_relations@yahoo.com).

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